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In re Application of  
Sem and Hansen

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For: CLASSIFICATION OF  
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GEOMETRY AND RELATED  
METHODS

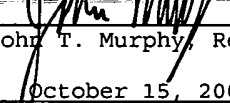
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Responsive to the Office Action mailed  
September 13, 2002, entry of the following remarks is  
respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Claims 19-23 are under examination in the above-  
identified application. The claims are alleged to be  
individually or dependently directed to a plurality of disclosed  
patentably distinct species of polypeptide pharmacofamilies. In  
particular, the Examiner requires election of one species from  
polypeptide pharmacofamilies 1-8.

Applicants traverse the Election of Species Requirement  
for the reasons stated below. Nevertheless, in order to be  
responsive to the Office Action, Applicants hereby elect for